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TO: DIR

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CART/JOHN CASE

1. ☐ ☐ CONFERRED WITH BRUECKNER OF SG 5 AND 6 OCT.

BRUECKNER SAID HIS OFFICE IS EXECUTIVE ORGAN OF OBERBUNDESANWALT IN JOHN CASE AND CANNOT SHOW ☐ ☐ SG FILES WITHOUT OBA PERMISSION. BRUECKNER GOING KARLSRUHE 6 OCT AND WILL ASK OK. NEVERTHELESS TALKED TO ☐ ☐ TOTAL OF 12 HOURS, ANSWERED MANY QUESTIONS, PRODUCED MANY INDIVIDUAL REPORTS FOR ☐ ☐ ON-THE-SPOT PERUSAL, CALLED IN SG MAN FNU KRON, WHO WORKING ON CASE FILES, FREQUENTLY FOR CONSULTATION.

2. BRUECKNER OBVIOUSLY THE EXPERT ON JOHN CASE. KNEW HIM SOCIALLY. CAPABLE OF VERY PENETRATING ANALYTICAL THINKING FROM LONG YEARS AS STAATSANWALT. HAS PERSONALLY DONE MOST INTERROGATIONS EXCEPT THOSE IN BRLN AND OF HIGH BONN OFFICIALS.

3. BRUECKNER BELIEVES JOHN WENT EAST BRLN TO EFFECT POLITICAL COUP BY MEETING IMPORTANT PERSON AND MEANT TO RETURN. WAS DETAINED BY THREAT OF EXPOSURE OF SOMETHING YET UNKNOWN. DISCOUNTS

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HOMOSEXUAL CHARGES, SAYING JOHN MAY HAVE HAD SOME SUCH EXPERIENCES AS A BOY BUT NO EVIDENCE OF ADULT HOMO ACTS OR TRAITS. DOES NOT BELIEVE ANTI-GOVERNMENT STATEMENTS ON TAPES WOULD SUFFICE TO HOLD JOHN IN EAST AND KEEP HIM OBEDIENT DURING PUBLIC PRESS CONFERENCE. ALTHO BRUECKNER HAS SCREENED AND DISCREDITED ALL EXISTING SPECIFIC TIPS THAT JOHN WAS RIS AGENT OR ROTE KAPELLE MAN, HE STILL THINKS IT POSSIBLE JOHN THREATENED WITH EXPOSURE UNDISCLOSED COOPERATION WITH RIS IN WORLD WAR TWO. DOES NOT BELIEVE JOHN SOV AGENT DURING BFV TENURE. ROTE KAPELLE LEADS STILL TO BE RUN DOWN BY SG.

4. AMONG MANY SPECIFIC ITEMS DISCLOSED:

A. BRUECKNER AGREES BRLN NURSES AND FRIENDS OF WOHLGEMUTH WITHHOLDING INFO, BUT NO LEGAL GROUNDS ARREST THEM.

B. WALZ IS EDUARD WALZ, 31 AVE DE L'OPERA, PARIS 1, TEL 9970, SAID BY FRENCH LIAISON OFFICER TO SG TO BE HIGHLY CONNECTED. FRENCH TOLD SG NO MORE.

C. MYSTERIOUS HAMBURG POLICE SOURCE WHO KNEW WOHLGEMUTH AND SAW HIM JUST BEFORE 20 JULY IS FNU SCHMIDT-DECKERT, FORMER CHIEF REICHSPROPAGANDA-AMT-AUSLAND, NOW PROMOTER OF GERMAN CIRCUSES ABROAD. EXACT PERSONALIA NOT KNOWN TO SG BUT ARE IN OBA FILES.

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D. SPIEGEL SOURCE WHO CLAIMED HAD QUESTIONED HANS JOHN ON ROTE KAPELLE UNDOUBTEDLY JOSEF BAUMER, BORN 1906, HAMBURG, FORMERLY POLICE PISTOL CHAMPION AND GESTAPO MAN, NOW SG APPLICANT. NOW WITH HAMBURG OR NIEDERSACHSEN POLICE. ALSO VOLUNTEERED SAME DATA TO BRUECKNER WHO DOES NOT BELIEVE IT. BAUMER FIRST TRIED GET SG POST THROUGH OLD FRIEND HOSSBACH OF SG, AND WHEN THIS FAILED BAUMER CHARGED HOSSBACH HAD BEEN TELLING HIM OFFICIAL SECRETS.

E. SCHMITT-WITTMACK KNEW NEITHER JOHN NOR WOHLEGEMUTH. SW LIVED IN ONE HOUSE OF UNFINISHED GOVT BILLET, ROW HOUSES MANAGED BY JOSEF HOMBERG, WHO ALSO LIVED SAME ROW. HOUSE ASSIGNED BY FEDERAL HOUSING OFFICE TO SW, AS BUNDESTAG MEMBER. OTHER DATA ON SW PREVIOUSLY SEEN BY [] IN BKA FILES CONFIRMED BY BRUECKNER.

F. FORMER GESTAPO OFFICIAL RUDOLF DIELS WHO AUTHORED PAMPHLET ON JOHN CASE/^{PROBABLY JOHN} PRINCIPAL AGENT IN RIGHTIST OPERATIONS. DIELS INTERROGATION BY BRUECKNER SHOWED DIELS BOY FRIEND OF PENCIL HEIRESS FABER-CASTELL AND MANAGED HER ESTATES. KNEW JOHN FROM NURNBERG AND HAD KNOWN HANS JOHN WELL. ESTATES ARE AT

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BERGHAUSEN NEAR KATZENELNBOGEN WHERE WOLF SANITARIUM RUN BY JOHN BROTHER-IN-LAW IS LOCATED. JOHN AND DIELS OFTEN MET THERE AND DIELS INTRODUCED JOHN TO SRP NEO-NAZI DR. FRITZ DORLS, WHO HIRED BY JOHN AS AGENT. DORLS TOLD DIELS JOHN SENDING HIM AND NEO-NAZI GENERAL OTTO ERNST REMER TO EGYPT PROVIDED WITH FALSE PASSPORTS. NOT CLEAR IF REMER AWARE JOHN-DORLS TIE. BRUECKNER SAYS DORLS WHEREABOUTS NOW UNKNOWN. PRESS NOTED 30 SEPT REMER SURRENDERED TO NIEDERSACHSEN POLICE TO BEGIN THREE MONTH SENTENCE FOR CRIMINAL LIBEL. NOTE PRESS HAS LONG BELIEVED DORLS AND/OR REMER IN EGYPT.

5. VON LEX TOLD SPICER JOHN ONCE SUCCEEDED IN SPLITTING SRP, GETTING SEVERAL DOZEN KREIS CHAIRMEN TO RESIGN EN BLOC JUST BEFORE AN ELECTION. OTHER LEX MATTERS CABLED SEPARATELY.

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